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## **Alabama Resident Enters Plea in Federal Court**

**WHEELING, WEST VIRGINIA —** A 27-year old Alabama, resident, formerly of Martins Ferry, Ohio, entered a plea of guilty on April 3, 2012, in United States District Court in Wheeling before Judge Frederick P. Stamp, Jr.

**MALLORY J. SHRODES** entered a plea of guilty to one count of Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine on April 10, 2011, in Wheeling, West Virginia. As part of her plea, SHRODES has agreed to the forfeiture of \$2,074 in US currency, a 357 Smith and Wesson firearm and a 2008 Pontiac Grand Prix which was property used in committing the drug offense. SHRODES, who is on bond pending sentencing, faces a maximum exposure of 20 years imprisonment and a fine of \$1,000,000.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney John C. Parr and investigated by the Mountaineer Highway Interdiction Team, which is comprised of the Wheeling Police Department, Ohio County Sheriff's Department, the West Virginia State Police, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the U.S. Attorney's Office.

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